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REGULAR MEETING APPROVED MINUTES OF OCTOBER 4, 2011

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Date: October 4, 2011

Scheduled start time: 7:00 PM

Place: Pauma Valley Community Center

16650 Hwy. 76

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 Roll Call and quorum established: Five Group Members present: Thomas Mc Andrews, Chairman; Vice Chairman; Fritz Stumpges, Secretary; John Ljubenkov; Jim Beezhold; and Bill Winn; Andy Mathews was out of town.
- **2. APPROVE MINUTES:** The minutes for September, 6th had been circulated to all members. Tom's changes were incorporated and the minutes circulated again prior to the meeting. With no or further discussion, John moved to approve the September minutes, Jim made the second and the minutes were approved 5-0.
- **3. APPROVE OPERATING EXPENSES:** The just approved Sept. minutes contained the unanimous vote to approve last year's rent of this facility. The invoice will now be submitted to the county. The community center also is submitting another invoice for the first half of this year. The invoice is for the first 6 months of 2011 at \$35/ night for a total of \$210. Bill moved to approve the rent and John made the second. With no further discussion it was approved 5-0. PVCA is to bill again next meeting for the 3rd quarter, as they are now to bill quarterly.
- 4. OPEN FORUM opportunity for citizens to speak on any regional item not on the agenda for this meeting. No action can be taken on these items:
 - **a.** There were no speakers initially wishing to speak tonight. We had planned to hear about the new proposed solar farm and they did arrive a little later for the following presentation:
 - b. Chris Brown and Zack Bongiovanni with SolFocus made an initial presentation for SolOrchards and took questions about the new proposed application for a 2 megawatt, 12kV, solar array off of El Sendero. They are in the process of installing small solar electric facilities throughout San Diego County, breaking from the large projects and instead generating moderate electricity within the communities where the power can be used. This will be a 10 acre facility using 162 individually staked (driven pier) and guided dish collectors spaced about 50 ft apart. It could supply approximately 70% of the needed Pauma Valley Power! They said that the area is relatively hidden from the highway and much of the valley. It will use CPV technology, a relatively green form of direct solar/electric generation. They were asked about lighting, erosion control, and transmission lines. They stated that there is to be no lighting, no "Roundup" type chemical weed abatement, with regular water wash downs 4 times a year, and it is to use current power poles with possible upgraded lines to connect to the local usage grid only, not the larger interconnecting transmission lines. This is not the other company which we may have been hearing about and is proposing larger facilities in Valley Center. We can see examples at www.solfocus.com. A small number of group members are to meet with them and view the site.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

- **a.** Tom made the announcement for the Notice Of Election of officers for 2012 Pala Pauma Community Sponsor Group. These officers are the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary and the election is to take place at our next meeting, Tuesday November 1 2011. The Officers will take office in Jan. 2012.
- **b.** There was a brief discussion about preliminary indications of Ron Barbanell's pending approval for the last open seat on our group.
- **6. ANNOUNCMENTS:** Tom spoke to us about Board Policy I-63 and the Initiation of General Plan Amendments Stakeholder Workshop which he attended September 22, 2011. The county BOS is now actively re-reviewing all of the past submitted Specific Property Requests. On November 9, the BOS will review their staff's reports and other subsequent input again.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS – No PPCSG advisory vote is to be taken on these items:

- a. We discussed illegal motorcycle activity on SR76/S2/and South Grade Road going up Palomar Mountain. This includes modified, very loud exhausts, speeding and lane crossing. Lt. Jim Nellis of the Oceanside Highway Patrol Office and Sgt. Scott Mason, in charge of our local satellite CHP station who patrols our local district with 11 other officers, were present to help us understand the CHP enforcement actions and limitations on this issue. Several area citizens, including Julie Ljubenkov presented community concerns. Julie stated that there is an increase of loud motorcycle activity in their area and she presented noise level readings from one "relatively quiet" Saturday morning. Officer Mason stated that this area gets more CHP attention per capita than any other similar area. Two patrolmen are trying to cover a large area and the bikers know their whereabouts and communicate this information with most other bikers. This makes catching them much more difficult. The officers stated that there is no current scientifically and judicially accepted device for measuring vehicle noise. The best method now is to write tickets for modified exhausts. Officers are trained to positively identify illegal exhaust systems. The officers have to apply their limited resources to the most needed problems and they are searching for a more global means to address this problem. Motorcycles are being added to the law requiring no modifications to exhaust systems. They are working on the 3 E's, Engineering like center rumble strips, Education on dangers and consequences and Enforcement. General enforcement east of the 15: tickets are up 28% and crashes and fatalities are way down this year. The CHP was very sympathetic and have said they will continue to do all they can to improve safety and noise issues. We should all do all we can to see that the legislature does all it can to fully fund enforcement and targeted grants. John suggested that we focus on getting grants. We then established a subcommittee, with John heading it up, to continue dealing with this issue.
- **b.** We briefly reviewed the agreement to extend the time for completion of the requirements of section 6(i)(4) of the intergovernmental agreement between the "County of San Diego and the Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians which concerns expansion of the Casino. In 2008 they formed a memorandum of understanding on the expansion with the inclusion of \$30 million towards road improvements. This temporary agreement was to expire August 31, 2011 but the parties have agreed to extend the time of road improvement commitment to June 30, 2015. In the weak economy, it is taking the Pauma Band longer to secure the desired \$700 million financing required to finalize the expansion and road improvements.
- **c.** Tom attended the County Board meeting September 22, 2011 to ensure that we would not be cut out of our planning input by the new I-63 policy on plan amendments and zoning. The new language includes provisions that any plan amendments have to go back to the local planning groups for review.
- **d.** Gregory Canyon update. Governor Brown has until Sunday to approve, veto, or let SB833 become law. We'll see then what he does.

e. Tom reviewed committee updates. No progress of the application for designating Highway 76 a state scenic highway; no change in Warner Ranch's application since it has become a special studies area with the BOS; and no activity with PACE, the Equity Tax Credit for agricultural easements committee.

8. ACTION ITEMS – PPCSG advisory vote may be taken on the following items:

- a. Bill presented an update on his FTT, Fee to Transfer, committee. He met with Jack Woods of the Fallbrook Planning Group, to see if we could work together but found that they were wanting to concentrate on writing letters to our elected local, county, state and national elected officials requesting that we halt all FTT's. This would be until we can get formal agreements on the future land use before it is transferred forever to an Indian Nation where we never again have any real say in how the land is used. Bill and Tom feel that these letters will just be "filed" with the hundreds of other letters these officials get. Bill feels that we need to become very active with informing and getting public support and involvement as soon as we get notification of each new request for a FTT. We reviewed some current local issues like Tierra Miguel's bankruptcy. We also discussed Pala's 28 million dollar purchase of the Robert's ranch and the coming consideration by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the request by Pala to transfer the land from Fee (County Control and Taxes) to Indian Trust Land. We discussed the loss of taxes needed to serve the land and the ability of the Indians to develop the land in any way they see fit, other than Casinos. There are no firm policies or formulas, just some loose ones which in the end have no binding power. We discussed the need for honest diplomacy and working together for what is best for the community. We want to have a community forum to help us become educated in this FTT process.
- b. We reviewed our previously approved Park Land Dedication Ordinance, PLDO, priority list. We currently have \$315,558 in our fund. 1) Develop a conceptual parks and recreation facility master plan for sub-regional Pala Pauma planning areas which should include cultural and historical elements. 2) Pauma Valley Community Association improvements such as construction of a physical facility to house a Pala Pauma Regional Historical Museum. 3) Develop an educational facility, trails, picnic areas and other passive facilities within the vicinity of Pauma School and the River. 4) Acquire land to develop a community park. 5) Establish programs for cultural, arts, athletics, after school and special events for youths, teens and older. Jim moved to accept and forward this list to the County, Fritz gave the second and it passed unanimously, 4-0.

We discussed Larry Newcomb's request to delay starting of the trail at Rancho Corrido. He is ok with granting the easement but does not have the finances currently to build the trail. This issue has not been officially placed on our agenda yet but may be added to next month's.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 PM

Fritz Stumpges, Secretary

These minutes were approved November 1, 2011; Jim moved, Bill seconded and it passed 5-0